

To request a Time Extension (TE) or Alternative Diversion Requirement (ADR), please complete and sign this request sheet and return it to your Office of Local Assistance (OLA) representative at the address below, along with any additional information requested by OLA staff. When all documentation has been received, your OLA representative will work with you to prepare for your appearance before the Board. If you have any questions about this process, please call (916) 341-6199 to be connected to your OLA representative.


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General Instructions:

For a Time Extension complete Sections I, II, III-A, IV-A, and V.

For an Alternative Diversion Requirement complete Sections I, II, III-B, IV-B and V.

Section I: Jurisdiction Information and Certification <i>All respondents must complete this section.</i>			
I certify under penalty of perjury that the information in this document is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, and that I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of:			
Jurisdiction Name Amador County Integrated Solid Waste Management Agency		County Amador	
Authorized Signature 		Title Director, Public Works Agency, Amador County	
Type/Print Name of Person Signing Roderick E. Schuler	Date March 3, 2003	Phone (209) 223-6429	
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Section II—Cover Sheet

This cover sheet is to be completed for each Time Extension (TE) or Alternative Diversion Requirement (ADR) requested.

1. Eligibility

Has your jurisdiction filed its Source Reduction and Recycling Element, Household Hazardous Waste Element, and Nondisposal Facility Element with the Board (must have been filed by July 1, 1998 if you are requesting an ADR)?

☐ No. If no, stop; not eligible for a TE or ADR.

☒ Yes. If yes, then eligible for a TE or ADR.

2. Specific Request and Length of Request

Please specify the request desired.

☒ Time Extension Request

Specific years requested 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004 _____

Is this a second request? ☒ No ☐ Yes Specific years requested. _____
(Note: Requests for an additional extension will need to address why the jurisdiction's efforts to meet the 50% goal by the end of the first extension were not successful.)

☐ Alternative Diversion Requirement Request (*Not allowed for Regional Agencies*).

Specific ADR requested _____%, for the years _____.

Is this a second ADR request? ☐ No ☐ Yes Specific ADR requested _____%, for the years _____.

(Note: Requests for an additional ADR will need to address why the jurisdiction's efforts to meet 50% by the end of the first ADR period were not successful.)

Note: Extensions may be requested anytime by a jurisdiction, but will only be effective in the years from January 1, 2000 to January 1, 2006. An original request for a TE/ADR may be granted for any period up to three years and subsequent requests for TE/ADR may extend the original request or be based on new circumstances but the total number of years for all requests cannot total more than five years or extend beyond January 1, 2006.

Section IIIA—TIME EXTENSION

Within this section, discuss your jurisdiction's progress in implementing diversion programs that were planned to achieve 50%. Provide any additional information that demonstrates "good faith effort." The CIWMB shall determine your jurisdiction's progress in demonstrating "good faith effort" towards complying with AB 939. Note: The answers to each question should be comprehensive and provide specific details regarding the jurisdiction's situation.

Attach additional sheets if necessary—please reference each response to the appropriate cell number (e.g., IIIA-1).

- 1. Why does your jurisdiction need more time to meet the 50% goal? Describe why SRRE selected programs did not achieve 50% diversion. Identify barriers to meeting the 50% goal and briefly indicate how they will be overcome.**

Based upon differences in waste generation studies for the SRRE and the subsequent addendum to the SRRE, it is unclear as to whether or not the Regional Agency (RA) has achieved the 50% diversion goal. Using the waste generation study in the SRRE, which has been adopted by CIWMB, yields a diversion rate of 51% for 2000 and 57% for 2001. However, using the figures in the SRRE Addendum would yield lower diversion rates (for example, 34% for 2000). Because of the uncertainty in the validity of the two studies, the RA must perform a thorough analysis of the submitted data to determine if the currently adopted base year generation figures are accurate.

In addition, the RA has proposed additional programs in an effort to expand services and increase participation through supportive education and information programs, as outlined in the Plan of Correction set forth in Section IV-A below. Development and implementation of these programs will require additional time, as set forth opposite each entry in Section IV-A.

- 2. Why does your jurisdiction need the amount of time requested? Describe any relevant circumstances in the jurisdiction that contribute to the need for a Time Extension.**

As discussed above, using the adopted base year generation figures, the reporting data indicates that we are meeting our 50% goal, but additional analysis must be completed to determine whether an error in the base year generation figures has inflated our diversion rates. The RA will analyze past data as well as tonnage data for the years 1997-2001 to determine the accuracy of the base year generation figures. The RA expects to complete this effort by 12/31/03.

At this time, it is unclear what issues may be contributing to the RA's possibly not meeting the 50% diversion goal. Depending upon the results of the above analysis, the RA will need additional time to implement programs to increase the diversion rate, if necessary. It should be noted that the RA has committed to certain new and expanded programs (shown below in Section IV- Plan of Correction) where we have been able to identify possible gaps in the RA's overall diversion program. Those programs improvements involve working with other entities (e.g. Amador County Unified School District) and expanding into less populated areas of the County (e.g. curbside collection in certain unincorporated areas). Implementation of those programs, which will begin in calendar year 2003, is expected to be achieved by the end of 2004.

When we have completed our analysis and have determined an accurate current diversion rate, plus the improvements to which the RA is already committed, we will be able to determine whether or not to request a decreased rural diversion requirement. The RA may also request an additional SB 1066 time extension if necessary to achieve the goals set forth in the Plan of Correction (Section IV-A).

- 3. Describe your jurisdiction's Good Faith Efforts to implement the programs in its SRRE.**

The Agency has implemented a number of programs in a Good Faith Effort to reach the 50% diversion goal. These include:

- a. Construction and operation of a "dirty MRF" processing facility at the Buena Vista Landfill to remove recyclable material from the solid waste stream. This facility removes fibers, metals, plastics and glass from entering the adjacent Buena Vista Landfill. Residuals from this process are then directed for disposal at the Landfill. This is in addition to the MRF in Pine Grove operated by one of the franchise haulers in conjunction with the Pine Grove transfer station.
- b. Establishment of a Household Hazardous Waste collection facility at the Buena Vista Landfill. The HHW program and facility have recently been upgraded (2002) by incorporating an e-waste component.
- c. Curbside and blue bag recycling programs in several member cities and selected unincorporated areas.
- d. Curbside greenwaste pickup in the largest city in the County. (Curbside greenwaste pickup in the next largest city is included in the Plan of Correction in Section IV-A below.)
- e. Residential drop off or buy back of recyclables in member cities and selected unincorporated areas.
- f. Recycling of paper products at County facilities and several member cities.
- g. Special collection events held at several member cities and in the unincorporated areas.
- h. Use of ash and sludge from local cogeneration plants and waste water treatment facilities as alternative daily cover at the Buena Vista Landfill. (The cogeneration plants have recently closed).
- i. Distribution of public educational materials by local solid waste service providers, and distribution of educational materials at the County fair and special events.
- j. Implementation of an Abandoned Vehicle Abatement program at the Buena Vista Landfill.
- k. Variable rates for collection of waste materials.
- l. Curbside greenwaste program in the County's largest city.
- m. Composting of agricultural materials at vineyards
- n. Active operation of thrift shops in all major cities, as well as garage sales and street "faires."
- o. Significant recycling efforts by major retailers (WalMart, K-Mart) and grocery stores.
- p. Recycling of Christmas trees for use as fish habitat in local lakes
- q. Accumulation of white goods at landfill for sale to scrap metal dealers.
- r. Accumulation of abandoned vehicles by Abandoned Vehicles Authority for sale to scrap metal dealers.
- s. Use of asphalt grindings from County road projects for dust control on other County roads.

4. Provide any additional relevant information that supports the request.

The responsibility for Waste Management was recently changed from General Services to the Public Works Agency. The Public Works Agency has lost staff and has recently engaged an outside consultant to assist in reviewing waste collection and disposal activities in Amador County. The Public Works Agency will work with the RA to develop a long-term staffing plan for AB 939 compliance, coupled with a sustainable funding source. Member entities of the RA have recently reappointed new representatives from each jurisdiction. The first formal meeting of the newly appointed JPA board was held on January 22, 2003, a workshop was held on February 6, 2003, the last meeting of the JPA board was held on February 26, 2003, and additional meetings are planned.

Section IV A—PLAN OF CORRECTION

A Plan of Correction is required by PRC Section 41820(a)(6)(B). The plan is fundamentally a description of the actions the jurisdiction will take to meet the 50% goal by the expiration of the Time Extension.

Attach additional sheets if necessary.

Residential %		60%	Non-residential %		40%
PROGRAM TYPE Please use the Board's Program Types. The Program Glossary is online at: www.ciwmb.ca.gov/LGCentral/PARIS/Codes/Reduce.htm	NEW or EXPAND	DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM	FUNDING SOURCE	DATE FULLY COMPLETED	ESTIMATED PERCENT DIVERSION
1040-SR-SCH School Source Reduction	New	The Regional Agency (RA) will work with Amador County Unified School District to assist with adoption of district-wide policies regarding source reduction, procurement and recycling, and work with individual schools to assess and implement source reduction opportunities.	RA, ACUSD	12/31/04	.75%
1050-SR-GOV Government Source Reduction	Expand	Amador County currently has a "green" policy for procurement. Each jurisdiction in the RA will adopt a policy for source reduction, procurement and recycling. Amador County will produce agendas for regular and special meetings electronically, and will put the ordinance code on the County website.	Individual jurisdiction budgets	12/31/03	.75%
1060-SR-MTE Material Exchange 4060-SP-CAR Concrete/Asphalt/Rubble	Expand	The RA will sponsor a Material Exchange for its member entities and other districts (school district, water district, etc.). Initially, focus will be on use of inert construction debris for terracing needs at Sutter Creek wastewater treatment facility expansion, and use of asphalt or concrete grindings for base material on unpaved roads and shoulders. The RA will sponsor a joint surplus property sale in which multiple jurisdictions can participate.	Individual jurisdiction budgets	9/30/04	2.00%
2000-RC-CRB Residential Curbside Collection 3000-CM-RCG Residential Curbside Greenwaste Pickup	Expand	Jackson currently has curbside collection of recyclables and greenwaste on alternate weeks. Ione implemented curbside collection of recyclables in 2002, and will implement curbside collection for greenwaste for all subscribers to residential trash service. Plymouth will implement a curbside collection program. Amador County will adopt a curbside collection program in selected unincorporated areas and will substitute separate containers for "blue bags" in selected locations.	Fees	Ione 6/30/03; Plymouth 12/31/04; County 12/31/04	2.50%
2050-RC-SCH School Recycling	Expand	Currently, Amador High School has a permanent, donated paper compactor. The Regional Agency will work with the franchise haulers and the school district to implement recycling programs in schools within each franchise area.	RA, ACUSD, ADS, ACES	12/31/04	1.50%
7000-FR-MRF Facility Recovery	Expand	The Regional Agency will work with the MRF operator to increase diversion from the dirty MRF, as well as to implement curbside collection programs that will increase MRF efficiency.	Fees RA, ADS, ACES	12/31/04	2.0%
Total Estimated Diversion Percent From New and/or Expanded Programs					9.5%

	Current Diversion Rate Percent From Latest Annual Report	34-57%* see explanation below re review of base year generation rates
	Total Planned Diversion Percent Estimated	50-60%* see explanation below re review of base year generation rates

PROGRAMS SUPPORTING DIVERSION ACTIVITIES

PROGRAM TYPE	NEW or EXPANDED	DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM	DATE FULLY COMPLETED
Analysis of base year rates	New	The RA will evaluate the base year figures adopted by CIWMB as well as other studies in the Addendum to the SRRE to verify accuracy of current base year generation information. The results of the analysis will be reported to CIWMB and, if necessary, past year's diversion reporting will be adjusted.	12/31/03
Public education 5000-ED-ELC 5010-ED-PRN 5020-ED-OUT	Expanded	The RA will expand its public education/information program to increase public awareness and participation in new and existing diversion and source reduction programs (such as the residential curbside collection of recyclables to be instituted in Lone, the location of existing dropoffs and buyback centers, and HHW collection days at the permanent HHW collection facility) through the following: inclusion of source reduction/recycling and facilities/special collection events on County and City websites; inclusion of information materials and messages on waste collection bills issued by franchise haulers; special education programs such as a recycling workshop for interested businesses; and promotion of award-winning businesses or entities that have achieved significant waste diversion.	Ongoing
Improvements to reporting mechanisms	New	The RA will review the raw data that is provided for regular reporting to CIWMB and determine if there are areas of improvement in tracking and reporting. The RA has recently become aware of the existence of numerous individual efforts of member jurisdictions that had not previously been reported. With the newly energized JPA convening to implement programs and to exchange ideas, each jurisdiction will become aware of and utilize additional shared programs and facilities, and annual reporting to CIWMB of SRRE program efforts will become complete and accurate.	Ongoing